

Environmental Information Regulations – Response - 27726

1. I am writing to find out who has authorized the replacement of the street lights on the High Street of Newmarket and why was this decision made?

Many of the columns failed structural tests and are unable to support the required attachments such as hanging baskets, festive lighting. Newmarket Town Council commissioned the work.

2. How much money were the old authentic street lights bought for?

Suffolk County Council do not have the information dating back to when the original lighting columns were purchased. The lanterns are being re-used as the existing units are less than five years old.

3. How much is it costing the council to fit out the lights on this street, as I notice that this is being done after 17.00 hours?

Final costs are not known as scheme not complete but expected in region of £145k

This is a heritage that belongs to the folk of Newmarket, Suffolk. It is part of the towns history and should not be removed.

4. Lastly, what are the capabilities of these new lights, their technical information and who is the manufacturer.

The 'Birkdale' lanterns are being re-used and were manufactured by Acrospire Solutions. Specifications are available on their website. <https://acrospire.co/product/heritage/large-birkdale/>